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**Field Questionnaire
on**

**Rural-to-Urban Labor Migration: A Study of Upper Egyptian
Laborers in Cairo**

by

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**Data for this survey are confidential and will be used only for scientific
research purposes in Ph.D. study by the researcher**

Place of interview: _____

Name: _____ Date: / / 2000 Serial Number

Record time: :

SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
101	How old are you now?	years	
102	What is your current marital status?	1. Single 2. Engaged 3. Married 4. Divorced 5. Widowed	
103	What is the highest level of schooling which you successfully completed?	1. None 2. Primary 3. Preparatory 4. Secondary (General) 5. Secondary (Technical) 6. University	106
104	Are you currently attending school?	1. Yes 2. No	106
105	Which level of schooling are currently attending?	1. Primary 2. Preparatory 3. Secondary (General) 4. Secondary (Technical) 5. University	
106	Can you read and understand a letter or a newspaper?	1. Yes 2. No	
107	Can you write a letter?	1. Yes 2. No	
108	Do you have an occupation or you are an ordinary laborer?	1. Have an occupation 2. Ordinary laborer	110
109	What is your occupation?		
110	From where did you come? From which governorate, district, and village?	Village: District: Governorate:	

SECTION II: INFORMATION ABOUT WORK AND LIVING CONDITIONS IN CAIRO:

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
201	Do you have a long-term contract with a company or do you work on daily basis?	1. Contract 2. Daily basis 3. Task-based	203 203

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202	How long is your current contract?	Months Years	
203	Number of working hours per day? (Reference to the last week)	Hours	
204	Number of working days per week? (Reference to the last week)	Days	
205	How often do you receive your wages?	1. Daily 2. Weekly 3. Monthly 4. Occasionally	
206	What is your current wage per day on average?	Egyptian pounds	
207	How long at current job?	Months Years	
208	How did you find current job?	1. Friends 2. Relatives in Cairo 3. Hired by employer 4. Other: _____	
209	How long have you been working away from your village?	Months Years	
210	How many times per month (year) do you visit your village?	Per month Per Year Each days	
211	At what age did you first leave your village for work?	Years old	
212	Why did you come to Cairo to work?		
213	Did you consider any other options at the time?	1. Yes _____ 2. No	
214	Have you worked in different jobs in Cairo before?	1. Yes 2. No	216
215	What were your previous jobs in Cairo?		
216	On the whole, would you say that your various jobs in Cairo have over time:	1. Remained about the same? 2. Got better? 3. Got worse?	
217	Did you work in other places in Egypt before? (e.g., Port Said, Alex., etc.)	1. Yes 2. No	219
218	Where did you work?	1. _____ 2. _____	
219	Did you work in your village?	1. Yes 2. No	223
220	What was your job in your village?		

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221	What was the last wage you made per day in your village?	Egyptian pounds	
222	When was that?	Years ago	
223	Have you ever traveled abroad to work?	1. Yes 2. No	226
224	Where (what country)?		
225	Duration?	months years	
226	Do you have relatives in Cairo?	1. Yes 2. No	228
227	Do you visit them?	1. I live with them 2. Frequently 3. Rarely 4. No	
228	Are your friends in Cairo mainly people from your village, or are they friends which you have made since coming to Cairo?	1. From my village only 2. From Cairo or other villages	
229	What social activities do you engage in in Cairo?	1. No social activities 2. _____ 3. _____	
230	Where do you stay in Cairo?	1. With other workers 2. With friends 3. With a family 4. Other: _____	
231	How many persons are sharing the same room?	persons	
232	Does your place of residence in Cairo have electricity?	1. Yes 2. No	
233	Does your place of residence in Cairo have piped water?	1. Yes 2. No	
234	Is your place of residence connected to the sewage-disposal network?	1. Yes 2. No	
235	How much do you spend on housing in Cairo?	Per day Per week Per month	
236	How much do you spend to live in Cairo per day?	Egyptian pounds	
237	How much money do you spend on these items per day?	Tea Cigarettes Food Others	
238	What did you eat for breakfast today?		
239	What did you eat for dinner yesterday?		
240	What did you eat for lunch yesterday?		

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
241	What is the percent of your income that you save?	Percent	
242	Do you send money to your family while you are here?	1. Yes 2. No	244
243	How do you send the money to your family?		
244	Do you have contact with your family while working in Cairo?	1. Yes 2. No	246
245	How do you contact them?	1. Written messages via ordinary mail 2. Written messages via colleagues 3. Oral messages via colleagues 4. Telephone calls	
246	Are you covered by any type of health insurance?	1. Yes 2. No	
247	Have you had any health problems while working in Cairo?	1. Yes 2. No	250
248	What type of problem?		
	Did you go to a doctor (pharmacy)?	1. Yes 2. No	
249	How much did that cost? (i.e., for doctor, medication, etc.).	Egyptian pounds	
250	Have you had any serious injuries related to the nature of your job while working in Cairo?	1. Yes 2. No	301
251	What was the injury?		
252	Did you go to the hospital?	1. Yes 2. No	255
253	Who took you to the hospital?	1. I went myself 2. My colleagues 3. My employer	
254	Who paid for transportation and medication?	1. I paid myself 2. My colleagues 3. My employer	
255	When did you return back to work after this injury?	after days	

SECTION III: INFORMATION ABOUT LIVING CONDITIONS IN PLACE OF ORIGIN:

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
301	Where does your family live?	Village: District: Governorate:	
302	Family size and composition:	Brothers Sisters Father Mother Wife Sons Daughters Others	
303	Do you own a house or an apartment?	1. Yes 2. No	
304	Do you own agricultural land?	1. Yes 2. No	307
305	How many Feddans?		
306	Who is working in the land while you are in Cairo?		
307	Do you have any of the following items at home:	1. Television? 2. Refrigerator? 3. Gas stove? 4. Radio? 5. Water heater?	
308	Do you have any of the following items:	1. Tractor? 2. Motorcycle? 3. Car? 4. Bicycle? 5. Telephone?	
309	Does your home have electricity?	1. Yes 2. No	
310	Does your home have piped water?	1. Yes 2. No	
311	Is your home connected to the sewage-disposal network?	1. Yes 2. No	
312	How many bedrooms in your home?	bedrooms	

**SECTION IV: INFORMATION ABOUT FAMILY LIFE:
(For ever-married laborers only)**

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
401	Do you have children?	1. Yes 2. No	403
402	How many?	Male Female Total	

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403	Would you like more children?	1. Yes 2. No	405
404	How many?	Male Female Total	
405	What would be your ideal family size?	Male Female	
406	What is the age at which sons should start to offer useful assistance at home, on the land, or at work?	Years old	
407	Do your sons work either at home or in the village?	1. Yes 2. No	
408	What is the age at which daughters should start to offer useful assistance at home, on the land, or at work?	Years old	
409	Do your daughters work either at home or in the village?	1. Yes 2. No	
410	How many years of education would you like your son(s) to receive?	Years	
411	How many years of education would you like your daughter(s) to receive?	Years	
412	If no education for daughters. Why?		
413	How many years of education did your wife complete?	Years	
414	When you grow old, do you expect your children to help you financially?	1. Yes 2. No	
415	When you grow old, do you expect to live with your children?	1. Yes 2. No	
416	Have you ever heard of family planning?	1. Yes 2. No	
417	Has you or your wife ever used a family planning method?	1. Yes 2. No	420
418	Are you and your wife currently using a family planning method?	1. Yes 2. No	420
419	What type of family planning methods?		
420	Are you planning to use a family planning method in the future?	1. Yes 2. No	

SECTION V: AWARENESS OF THE NEW DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
501	Have you ever heard of Toshka project?	1. Yes 2. No	505

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
502	From where?		
503	If a job opportunity for you is available there, will you be willing to go?	1. Yes 2. No	
504	What do you know about it?		
505	Have you ever heard of East of Port-Said project?	1. Yes 2. No	509
506	From where?		
507	What do you know about it?		
508	If a job opportunity for you is available there, will you be willing to go?	1. Yes 2. No	
509	Have you ever heard of East Oweinat project?	1. Yes 2. No	513
510	From where?		
511	What do you know about it?		
512	If a job opportunity for you is available there, will you be willing to go?	1. Yes 2. No	
513	Have you ever heard of Gulf of Suez project?	1. Yes 2. No	517
514	From where?		
515	What do you know about it?		
516	If a job opportunity for you is available there, will you be willing to go?	1. Yes 2. No	
517	Will you take your family with you? (in case of hearing about any Project)	1. Yes 2. No	

SECTION VI: PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

Serial Number	Questions	Coding Categories	Skip to
601	Would you like to live in Cairo permanently or would you like to return to your village to live?	1. Live in Cairo 2. Return to village	603
602	For how long do you plan to stay in Cairo before you return to your village?	Months Years I don't know	
603	Would you like to travel outside Egypt for work?	1. Yes 2. No	605
604	To where (which country)?		

